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**Subject:** Re: [Viruses] Special Issue: Bats and Coronaviruses- Invitations

Dear Peng Zhou,

Thank you for this kind invitation. I will talk with my team to see if we have a suitable paper.

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**From:** Allison Yang/MDPI <allison.yang@mdpi.com>  
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Dear Dr. Plowright,

I would like to invite you to contribute a comprehensive review paper or full research article to the Special Issue "Bats and Coronaviruses" of *Viruses* (IF 3.816). *Viruses* is an open access journal indexed by Web of Science, PubMed, and other relevant databases. As Guest Editor, our aim for the Special Issue is to understand the relationship between bats and coronaviruses, and make efforts on the discovery and active surveillance of bat coronaviruses.

We would appreciate hearing from you soon regarding whether you could submit a contribution related to this field. Of course, you are welcome to invite any co-authors you consider appropriate. In case you are interested, please let us know the specifics of the topic you would like to cover by providing a preliminary concept or tentative title or preliminary abstract in order to assist us with preparations for the Special Issue. A waiver of 30% of the publication charge would apply as a special offer for you.

We encourage authors to send a short abstract or tentative title to me and the Editorial Office ([viruses@mdpi.com](mailto:viruses@mdpi.com) or [allison.yang@mdpi.com](mailto:allison.yang@mdpi.com)) in advance. You may send your manuscript at any time prior to the deadline of **31 July 2021**.

More information may be found at the Special Issue website:  
[https://www.mdpi.com/journal/viruses/special\\_issues/coronaviruses\\_bats\\_2021](https://www.mdpi.com/journal/viruses/special_issues/coronaviruses_bats_2021)

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you need any further information.

We look forward to hearing from you soon.

Best wishes,  
Peng Zhou, PhD, Professor

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